

Fishery Disaster Determinations in CA – 2015 to present

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Below is a summary of fishery disaster determinations, in reverse chronological order, with information on each determination, including the disaster request, decision letter, press release, and funding authority.

90. California Pacific Sardine Fishery, 2017-2019

Fishery/Area Affected: California Pacific Sardine Fishery

Region: West Coast Region

Disaster Assistance Request

Requester(s): Gov. Gavin Newsom (CA)

Request Date: June 18, 2019

[Request Letter](#) (PDF, 2 pages)

Secretary of Commerce Determination

Determination: Approved

Determination Date: 10/30/2019

[Press Release](#)

Cause of Disaster: Natural causes

Determination Authority: MSA 312(a); IFA 308(d)

[Determination Letter](#) (PDF, 1 page)

Amount: \$2,218,904

87. California Red Sea Urchin Fishery, 2016 and 2017

Fishery/Area Affected: 2016 and 2017 California Red Sea Urchin Fishery (Northern Management Zone)

Region: West Coast

Disaster Assistance Request

Requester: Gov. Gavin Newsom (CA)

Request Date: 2/28/19

[Request Letter](#) (PDF, 3 pages)

Secretary of Commerce Determination

Determination: Approved

Determination Date: 10/30/2019

[Press Release](#)

Cause of Disaster: Natural causes

Determination Authority: MSA 312(a); IFA 308(d)

[Determination Letter](#) (PDF, 1 page)

Amount: \$3,329,343

86. Klamath River Fall Chinook Commercial Fishery, 2018 (Yurok Tribe)

Fishery/Area Affected: 2018 Yurok Tribe Klamath River Fall Chinook Commercial Fishery

Region: West Coast Region

Disaster Assistance Request

Requester: Joseph L. James, Chairman, Yurok Tribe

Request Date: 2/11/19

[Request Letter](#) (PDF, 2 pages)

Secretary of Commerce Determination

Determination: Approved

Determination Date: 10/30/2019

[Press Release](#)

Cause of Disaster: Natural causes

Determination Authority: MSA 312(a)

[Determination Letter](#) (PDF, 1 page)

Amount: \$2,226,068

75. California Pacific Sardine Fishery, 2015-2016

Fishery/Area Affected: California Pacific Sardine Fishery

Region: West Coast Region

Disaster Assistance Request

Requester: Acting Gov. Gavin Newsom (CA)

Request Date: 9/5/2017

[Request Letter](#) (PDF, 3 pages)

Secretary of Commerce Determination

Determination: Approved

Determination Date: 9/24/2018

[Press Release](#) (PDF, 1 page)

Cause of Disaster: Natural causes

Determination Authority: MSA 312(a), IFA 308 (d)

[Determination Letter](#) (PDF, 1 page)

Appropriation

Funding Authority: P.L 115-141

Amount: \$1,640,000

74. Oregon and California Klamath River Fall Chinook Salmon Fishery, 2016 and 2017

Fishery/Area Affected: Oregon and California Klamath River Fall Chinook Salmon Fishery

Region: West Coast Region

Disaster Assistance Request

Requester: Ryan Jackson, Chairman, Hoopa Valley Tribe; Thomas P. O'Rourke, Chairperson, Yurok Tribal Council; Govs. Edmund G. Brown Jr. (CA) and Kate Brown (OR)

Request Date: 3/13/2017, 4/25/2017, 5/24/2017

Request Letter: [Hoopa](#) (PDF, 2 pages), [Yurok](#) (PDF, 2 pages), [California and Oregon](#) (PDF, 5 pages)

Secretary of Commerce Determination

Determination: Approved

Determination Date: 9/24/2018

[Press Release](#) (PDF, 1 page)

Cause of Disaster: Natural causes

Determination Authority: MSA 312(a), IFA 308(b), IFA 308(d)

Determination Letters: [Hoopa](#), [Yurok](#), [California](#), and [Oregon](#) (PDF, each 1 page)

Appropriation

Funding Authority: P.L 115-141
Amount: \$8,886,000

70. California Klamath River Chinook Salmon Fishery, 2016 (Yurok Tribe)

Fishery/Area Affected: Klamath River Commercial Fishery

Region: West Coast Region

Disaster Assistance Request

Requester: Thomas P. O'Rourke, Sr., Chairperson, Yurok Tribe

Request Date: 7/20/2016

[Request Letter](#) (PDF, 5 pages)

Secretary of Commerce Determination

Determination: Approved

Determination Date: 1/18/2017

Press Release

Cause of Disaster: Natural Causes (warm ocean conditions)

Determination Authority: MSA 312(a)

[Determination Letter](#) (PDF, 1 page)

Appropriation

Funding Authority: [P.L. 115-123](#)

Amount: \$3,864,904

67. California Dungeness Crab and Rock Crab, 2015-2016

Fishery/Area Affected: California Dungeness Crab and Rock Crab 2015-2016

Region: West Coast Region

Disaster Assistance Request

Requester: Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr., (CA)

Request Date: 2/9/2016

[Request Letter](#) (PDF, 2 pages)

Secretary of Commerce Determination

Determination: Approved

Determination Date: 1/18/2017

Press Release

Cause of Disaster: Natural Causes (harmful algal bloom)

Determination Authority: MSA 312(a), IFA 308(d)

[Determination Letter](#) (PDF, 1 page)

Appropriation

Funding Authority: [P.L. 115-123](#)

Amount: \$25,797,268